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Attention: Examiner Alexander Kalinowski

RE: 09/583,336 William Reeves

FAXED
1/27/03

Dear Mr. Kalinowski, 1/27/03

Per you voice messages and our telcom on Friday 1/24/02 I faxed you over the weekend 65 pages of my entire response to your office action for this application.

Please be advised of the following:

1. I have gone back in my records and verified that I mailed the original response package to you on either 11/19/02 or 11/20/02. I believe I sent the package either certified or registered mail so I am searching for my mail receipt and will fax it to you when I find it.

2. I recently re-mailed the entire package to you again and included a check for additional funds to buy an extra month so my total extension would be 6 months- three free months and 3 purchases months which would give me until 12/21/02 to respond.

3. Both yourself and Din Ueen (the supervisor in charge in Joseph Thomas absence) have told me that the PTO sends out confirmation cards when it receives documents from a party. This is simply not true and I don't know if you gentlemen are living in a fantasy world but I have never gotten any type of confirmation card from the PTO for any document. Occasionally I get a 8 1/2 X 11 paper acknowledging certain events about a filing but that is it. I presently have 4 applications in process and I have not gotten any type of confirmation cards of any kind on these applications and I save every scrap of paper the PTO sends me.

Again, this raised the concern about bias towards patent attorneys and against pro se inventors. Mr. Din Ueen even made the statement to me that "he only works with patent attorneys and the attorneys all get confirmation cards." He also made it seem like it was a real burden to work directly with an inventor. This is very aggravating and smacks of bias towards attorney and against inventors. Why should patent attorneys be treated differently and get preferential treatment? Why should patent attorneys get confirmation cards and not all inventors or applicants?

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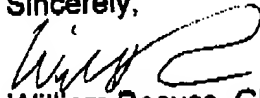
Inventors are not stupid people and we know what is going on with the PTO and examiners and patent attorneys. I have numerous friends who are patent attorneys and they all confide in me that there is an incestuous relationship between examiners and patent attorneys which is created by the fact that most examiners hope to go into private law practice and want to create good and favorable contacts into the patent attorney firms so they may easily get a job at some point.

The patent process has been made overcomplicated by patent attorneys who wish to be the sole gatekeepers for patent processing. This is a giant money shakedown scheme and is wrong!! Congress enacted the patent laws to make it easy and to facilitate inventions for commerce and innovation. Congress did not enact these laws for patent attorneys to get fat and rich at our expense and clog the system.

Inventors are smart people and are perfectly capable of working with examiners and successfully prosecuting patents with no attorney involvement.

In any event I will fax you the mail receipt when I find it. I do not have any of the mythical fantasy confirmation cards to send you because your office has never send me one.

Sincerely,



William Reeves, GM, inventor